

**ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR  
ALLOWING ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF SWORN TESTIMONY AT BOARD OF  
REVIEW HEARINGS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 70.47(8) of the Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Board of Review to hear all persons who appear before it in regard to said person's property assessment;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to said statute, the property owner may appear in person, by a representative, by telephone or submit written statements; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to said statute, all appearances and/or submissions to the Board shall be made under oath.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Town Board of the Town of Turtle resolves:

The procedure to appear by phone or submit written statements in lieu of a personal appearance before the Board shall be as follows:

1. The property owner, or owner's representative, must file a notice of intent to appear before the Board of Review; and
2. The property owner, or owner's representative, must file an Objection Form for Real Property Assessment; then
3. The property owner, or owner's representative, may file a Request to Testify by Telephone or a Request to Submit a Sworn Written Statement at the Board of Review to the Town Clerk no later than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the Board of Review meeting.

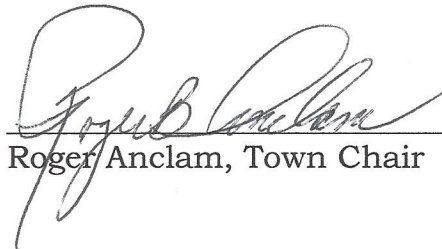
The Board of Review may consider any or all of the following criteria when determining whether to grant either of the above requests:

1. The requester's stated reason for the specific request;
2. The fairness to all parties;
3. The requester's ability to obtain in-person oral testimony and any due diligence on the part of the requester to obtain said in-person testimony;
4. The importance of the Board's ability to cross-examine the person providing the testimony;

5. The Board's technical ability to honor said request; and
6. Any other factors that the Board deems relevant in deciding said request.

This ordinance shall be effective upon its posting as provided by law.

Dated this 9th day of May, 2018.



Roger Anclam, Town Chair

ATTESTED BY:



Deborah Bennett, Town Clerk